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HERE IS-THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS:

(GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (GEE-AN'-UH)) -- REPORTS REACHING THE CAPITAL OF GUYANA SAY U-S CONGRESSMAN LEO RYAN AND FOUR PEOPLE TRAVELING WITH HIM ARE DEAD. THE REPORTS SAY THEY WERE SHOT TO DEATH WHILE ON A FACT-FINDING TRIP TO AN AMERICAN RELIGIOUS SETTLEMENT IN THE SOUTH AMERICAN NATION. A GUYANAN SPOKESMAN IN GEORGETOWN COULD NOT CONFIRM THE REPORT. BUT HE SAYS HE'S HEARD EIGHT OTHER PERSONS WITH RYAN WERE WOUNDED. IN WASHINGTON, A STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAYS WORD OF THE DEATH OF RYAN AND OTHER PERSONS IN HIS PARTY HAS COME FROM THE U-S EMBASSY IN GUYANA, BUT THAT THIS ALSO CANNOT BE CONFIRMED.

THE GUYANAN SPOKESMAN HAS THIS WORD ON WHAT HAPPENED: RYAN AND THE REPORTERS WERE READY TO TAKE A PLANE FROM THE SETTLEMENT, WITH SOME MEMBERS OF THE RELIGIOUS GROUP WHEN ONE OR MORE CULT MEMBERS STARTED SHOOTING. THE SPOKESMAN SAYS HE UNDERSTANDS OTHER MEMBERS OF THE RYAN GROUP ESCAPED IN ANOTHER PLANE.

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CONGRESSMAN SHOT (TOPS)

(GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (GEE-AN'-UH)) -- A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN IN GUYANA SAYS HE'S RECEIVED REPORTS CONGRESSMAN LEO RYAN AND FOUR PERSONS IN HIS FACT-FINDING PARTY WERE SHOT AND KILLED SATURDAY. ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING GEORGETOWN, THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRAT AND THE OTHERS WERE GUNNED DOWN AFTER VISITING A SETTLEMENT OF AMERICANS IN REMOTE NORTHERN GUYANA.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE REPORTS COULD NOT BE CONFIRMED.

HE SAID EIGHT OTHER PERSONS IN RYAN'S GROUP WERE REPORTED WOUNDED IN THE ATTACK AT PORT KAITUMA, (KY-TOO'-MUH), A RIVER PORT EIGHT MILES FROM THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE SETTLEMENT AT JONESTOWN AND 110 MILES NORTHEAST OF GEORGETOWN.

IN WASHINGTON, STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN TOM RESTON SAID THE U-S EMBASSY IN GUYANA RECEIVED A REPORT THAT RYAN AND A NUMBER OF REPORTERS TRAVELING WITH HIM WERE SHOT AND KILLED. HE ALSO SAID THE DEATHS WERE NOT CONFIRMED.

IT WAS KNOWN THAT A TELEVISION CREW FROM N-B-C AND SEVERAL OTHER JOURNALISTS FROM THE UNITED STATES WERE ACCOMPANYING RYAN.

NATIONAL POLICE CHIEF LLOYD BARKER SAID POLICE AND ARMY REINFORCEMENTS WERE BEING SENT TO THE SETTLEMENT OF ABOUT 12-HUNDRED AMERICANS. IT WAS ESTABLISHED A YEAR AGO BY JIM JONES, A FORMER SAN FRANCISCO CITY OFFICIAL.

THE GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID THE REPORTS REACHING GEORGETOWN GAVE THIS ACCOUNT:

RYAN AND ABOUT A DOZEN OTHER PERSONS WERE AT PORT KAITUMA'S DIRT AIRSTRIP ALONG WITH SIX JONESTOWN SETTLERS WHO HAD DECIDED TO LEAVE WITH THE CONGRESSMAN. ONE OR MORE PERSONS FROM THE SETTLEMENT OPENED FIRE INTO THE GROUP WAITING TO BOARD A SMALL PLANE.

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RYAN - JONES

SAN FRANCISCO, NOV 20, REUTER - HE EXPECTED HIS FOLLOWERS TO LIVE, KILL AND DIE FOR HIM --- AND SUCH WAS THE POWER OF THE REVEREND JIM JONES THEY APPARENTLY DID AS THEY WERE TOD

OFFICIALS IN GUYANA TODAY SAID THEY FOUND THE BODIES OF 400 OF JONES" FOLLOWERS -- ALL APPARENT VICTIMS OF A MASS SUICIDE PERFORMED AFTER MEMBERS OF HIS SECT MURDERED CONGRESSMAN LEO RYAN AND FOUR OTHER AMERICANS ON SATURDAY.

SUCH AN ACT WAS NOT UNEXPECTED -- ACCORDING TO RELATIVES OF MEMBERS OF JONES" PEOPLES TEMPLE CULT. THE CHARISMATIC AMERICAN EVANGELIST PREACHED A GOSPEL OF MASS DEATH.

IN HIS REMOTE GUYANAN JUNGLE REDOUBT, JONES HAD HIS FOLLOWERS, ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 1,200, REHEARSE MASS SUICIDE.

HE APPARENTLY ALSO HAD THEM SIGN UNDATED SUICIDE NOTES BEFORETHEY LET CALIFORNIA TO JOIN HIM IN GUYANA WHERE HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO CREATE A HEAVEN ON EARTH, A PLACE WHERE VIOLENCE AND ILL WILL WERE TO BE BANNED FOREVER.

JONES AND HIS PEOPLES TEMPLE HAD BECOME A POLITICAL POWER IN SAN FRANCISCO WHERE HIS ABILITY TO GET OUT THE VOTE WON HIM THE FRIENDSHIP OF IMPORTANT POLITICANS.

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AMONG THOSE THAT WERE IMPRESSED BY JONES" POLITICAL MAGIC WAS SAN FRANCISCO"S MAYOR GEORGE MOSCONE, WHO MADE HIM THE HEAD OF THE CITY"S HOUSING AUTHORITY -- A REWARD FOR GETTING OUT THE VOTE IN MR MOSCONE"S SLENDER 1975 ELECTION VICTORY.

ALSO IMPRESSED WERE CALIFONIA"S GOVERNOR JERRY BROWN AND LOS ANGELES MAYOR TOM BRADLEY. THEY COURTED HIM AND IN 1976, PRESIDENT CARTER"S WIFE ROSALYNN EVEN ONCE APPEARED ON A PODIUM WITH HIM, WHERE HE RECEIVED MORE APPLAUSE FROM AN AUDIENCE OF THE FAITHFUL THAN SHE DID.

BUT HE FLED TO HIS 27,000 ACRE SETTLEMENT IN GUYANA LAST YEAR AFTER A MAGAZINE ARTICLE CLAIMED THERE WAS AN UGLY UNDERSIDE TO HIS PEOPLES TEMPLE.

THE ARTICLE IN NEW WEST MAGAZINE SPOKE OF BEATINGS, OF DEATH THREATS TO CULT MEMBERS WHO WANTED TO BREK WITH HIM. IT ALSO DETAILED CASES WHERE PEOPLE SIGNED OVER ALL THEIR MATERIAL POSSESSIONS TO HIM.

UNTIL THE ARTICLE APPEARED, THE SHORT, SLENDER PREACHER, WHO CLAIMED HE WAS HALF WELSH, HALF AMERICAN INDIAN, WAS A POLITICALLY ACCEPTABLE PERSONAGE.

HE OFFERED HELP AND IT WAS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.

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ONE CALIFORNIAN WHO BECAME LEARY OF HIM WAS FORMER SAN FRANCISCO SHERRIFF RICHARD HONCISTO WHO TOLD REUTERS TODAY THAT JONES HAD DEMANDED GUN PERMITS FROM HIM FOR HIS FOLLOWERS. BECAUSE HE SAID THEY HAD BEEN THREATENED WITH DEATH.
""BUT WHEN I LOOKED INTO IT, HIS STORY BEGAN TO FALL APART. I BEGAN TO FEEL THERE WAS MORE TO HIM AND HIS ORGANIZATION THAN MET THE EYE. NEEDLESS TO SAY, I DID NOT ISSUE THE PERMITS,"" MR HONIGSTO, WHO IS NOW CHIEF OF NEW YORK STATE'S PRISON SYSTEM, SAID.
HE ADDED THAT SOME OF HIS FOLLOWERS SEEMED SO SINGULAR IN THEIR DEVOTION TO JONES THAT IT FRIGHTENED MR HONIGSTO. ""I BEGAN TO DISTANCE MYSELF FROM HIM,"" HE SAID.
JONES HAD AMASSED A PERSONAL FORTUNE OF ABOUT FIVE MILLION DOLLARS, MUCH OF IT MADE IN REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS AND SOME OF IT COMING FROM DONATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF HIS SECT.
ONCE IN GUYANA, THERE WERE REPORTS THAT HE HELD A TYRANT'S HOLD ON HIS FOLLOWERS -- ORDERING BEATINGS FOR THOSE THAT DARED DEFY HIM.
A FORMER TEMPLE AIDE DEBORAH LAYTON TOLD THE SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER THAT JONES HAD REPEATEDLY COACHED HIS FOLLOWERS IN MASS SUCIDE.
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SHE SAID THAT THE PLAN WOULD GO INTO EFFECT IF JONES OR HIS JONESTOWN SETTLEMENT IN GUYANA WAS THREATENED.
""SUCIDE WAS INGRAINED IN HIS PHILOSPHY,"" SAID ONE FORMER MEMBER OF HIS CULT TODAY. THE MEMBER ADDED THAT JONES HAD EACH MEMBER OF CULT ENTER INTO A SUICIDE PACT WITH HIM AND FREQUENTLY HELD REHEARSALS.
JONES, 46, APPARENTLY BECAME A PREACHER AT AGE 18 IN HIS NATIVE INDIANA ALTHOUGH HIS WIFE ONCE SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE IN RELIGION.
SHE SAID HE THOUGHT RELIGION WAS THE BEST WAY TO CONVERT PEOPLE TO HIS BELIEFS IN A VAGUE BRAND OF MARXISM MIXED IN WITH A FEAR THAT THE WORLD WAS ABOUT TO DESTROYED BY THE ATOMIC BOMB.
AT VARIOUS POINTS IN HIS CAREER, HE SEARCHED FOR REMOTE TOWNS AS HIS HEADQUARTERS, BECAUSE THEY WOULD BE SAFE FROM ATOMIC ATTACK.
ALTHOUGH JONES FOLLOWERS INCLUDED BOTH BLACKS AND WHITES HIS CONGREGATION WAS ESTIMATED AT ONE POINT AS BEING 80 PER CENT BLACK.
A NEWSLETTER HE PUBLISHED EXTOLLED SOCIALISM AND CLAIMED THAT AMERICA MIGHT BE TAKEN OVER SOON BY NAZIS.
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PM-TEMPLE-TESTS 11-23
SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) -- FINGERPRINT TESTS WERE ORDERED WEDNESDAY IN GUYANA ON THE BODY IDENTIFIED AS THAT OF CULT LEADER JIM JONES.
"WE HAVE MADE A POSITIVE VISUAL IDENTIFICATION OF THE BODY," SAID VICTOR FORSYTHE, CHIEF OF GUYANA'S MINISTRY OF INFORMATION.
BUT IN A COPYRIGHT REPORT IN THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, FORSYTHE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THE FINGERPRINTS HAD NOT BEEN TAKEN, AND THAT THEY WERE ORDERED BELATEDLY.
IN THE PAST, JONES HAS BEEN KNOWN TO HAVE SENT LOOK-ALIKES TO TAKE HIS PLACE WHEN EXPOSED TO WHAT HE CONSIDERED TO BE POSSIBLE DANGER.
SOME SURVIVORS CLAIM JONES HAD REVEALED TO HIS CLOSEST FOLLOWERS A PLAN, IN CASE OF DISASTER, IN WHICH HE WOULD ORDER SUICIDES AND THEN FLEE WITH A FEW TRUSTED AND ARMED AIDES TO SEEK REVENGE ON HIS ENEMIES.
THE NEWSPAPER SAID ONE THEORY WAS THAT JONES COULD HAVE MADE HIS WAY SIX MILES EAST TO THE KAITUMA RIVER WHERE A OCEAN-GOING FISHING BOAT, NAMED THE MARCELINE FOR JONES' WIFE, WAS OFTEN DOCKED. THE CRAFT COULD CARRY A LARGE PARTY AND WAS CAPABLE OF OCEAN NAVIGATION.
THE BOAT WAS NOT AT THE DOCK, AND WAS NOT ACCOUNTED FOR.
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-DELAWARE NEWS SUMMARY-
(BODIES)

AIR FORCE MORTUARY OFFICIALS AT DOVER AIR FORCE BASE HAVE BEGUN THE PROCESS OF CLEANING AND EMBALMING THE FIRST BODIES TO ARRIVE AT DOVER FROM GEORGETOWN, GUYANA.
THE FIRST PLANE CARRYING 40 BODIES FROM THE MASS SUICIDE BY MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE COMMUNE LANDED SHORTLY BEFORE SIX THIS MORNING.
THE BODIES, ONLY ONE OF WHICH WAS IDENTIFIED, WERE TAKEN TO THE AIR BASE MORTUARY TO BE CLEANED, EMBALMED AND PLACED IN PLASTIC SHEETS TO AWAIT CLAIMING BY RELATIVES.
AIR FORCE OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAD HEARD FROM ABOUT A HALF DOZEN FAMILIES BY THIS MORNING.
THEY ALSO SAID THE STATE DEPARTMENT WOULD HANDLE THE MATTER AFTER THE BODIES ARE PREPARED. BUT, THAT SURVIVORS WILL HAVE TO PAY TO HAVE THE BODIES TRANSPORTED TO HOMETOWNS--MOSTLY IN CALIFORNIA--FOR BURIAL.
THE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS IS EXPECTED TO TAKE UNTIL AT LEAST SATURDAY AND POSSIBLY LONGER.
AT LAST COUNT, 405 BODIES WERE EXPECTED TO BE FLOWN TO DOVER, AND THE NEXT PLANE IS TO LAND AROUND NINE TONIGHT.

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AM-TEMPLE-SURVIVORS 11-23

GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (UPI) -- GEORGETOWN POLICE RELEASED THE NAMES WEDNESDAY OF 32 AMERICAN SURVIVORS OF THE JONESTOWN MASS SUICIDE AND MASSACRE, INCLUDING LARRY LAYTON, ACCUSED OF FIVE COUNTS OF MURDER AND THREE COUNTS OF ATTEMPTED MURDER IN THE SLAYING OF CALIFORNIA CONGRESSMAN LEO J. RYAN AND MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY SATURDAY.

THE LIST ALSO INCLUDED THE NAMES OF MURDER SUSPECTS TIM CARTER AND MICHAEL PROKES.

THE 32 WERE BEING HELD AT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS FOR THEIR OWN SAFETY, POLICE SAID, PRESUMABLY TO PROTECT THEM FROM FUGITIVE FANATICS FROM THE PEOPLES TEMPLE SECT TO WHICH THEY BELONG.

THE SURVIVORS ALSO INCLUDED SIX MEMBERS OF THE PARKS FAMILY WHICH LOST ONE OF THEIR MEMBERS, PAT PARKS, IN THE ATTACK ON RYAN.

THE SURVIVORS WERE:

JIM BOGUE, 46, AND ENID BOGUE, 39, AND THEIR CHILDREN, JUNIA, 21, AND TEENA, 23, 17 ANCHOR DRIVE, SUISUN, CALIF.;

TOMMY BOGUE, 17 ANCHOR DR., SUISUN, CALIF.;

BROTHERS TIM CARTER, 22, AND MICHAEL CARTER, 20, 206 W. 42ND ST., BOISE, IDAHO;

HAROLD CORDELL, 42, 17 ANCHOR DRIVE, SUISUN, CALIF.;

RICHARD CLARK, 42, 55 OVERLOOK TERRACE, NEW YORK CITY;

STANLEY CLAYTON, 25, 920 39TH ST., OAKLAND, CALIF.;

GROVER DAVIS, 79, CARE OF L.C. DAVIS, WESTERN AIRLINES, SAN FRANCISCO;

JULIUS EVANS AND WIFE SANDRA, BOTH 30, 1771 QUINTA, SAN FRANCISCO;

JOHNNY FRANKLIN, 33, 1625 EDDY ST., SAN FRANCISCO;

LARRY LAYTON, 32, 1859 GERRY AVE., SAN FRANCISCO;

DINNE LOUIAROZYENKO, 26, 55 OVERLOOK TERRACE, NEW YORK CITY;

CHRISTOPHER O'NEAL, 27, 319 JONES ST., UKIAH, CALIF.;

EDITH PARKS, 64; JERALD PARKS, 45; DALE PARKS, 27; BRENDA PARKS, 18, ALL OF 319 JONES ST., UKIAH, CALIF.;

ROBERT PAUL, 33, 625 ROSALIE ST., NEW IBERIA, LA.;

MICHAEL PROKES, 32, 1701 CONCORD, MODESTO, CALIF.;

ODEL RHODES, 33, (NO HOME TOWN) CALIF.;

HYACINTH THRUSH, 76, SAN FRANCISCO;

MONICA WAGBY, 20, LOS ANGELES;

LESLIE WILSON, 30, 4550 48TH AVE., SACRAMENTO, CALIF.;

SONYA EVANS, 11, SHARLA EVANS, 7, AND SHIRELLA EVANS, 6, 1771 QUINTA, SAN FRANCISCO;

TRACY PARKS, 12, 319 JONES ST., UKIAH, CALIF.; AND JAHARI WILSON, 2, 4550 48TH AVE., SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

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JUNGLE DEATH

GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (AP) -- ''TO WALK BLINDY INTO THAT JUNGLE IS TO COURT DEATH AS SURELY AS DRINKING CYANIDE POISON.''

THAT WAS THE COMMENT OF AN EXPERIENCED GUYANESE HUNTER WEDNESDAY WHEN ASKED WHAT HE THOUGHT WAS THE FATE OF AT LEAST 3ØØ AND MAYBE AS MANY AS 6ØØ AMRICAN MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN SWALLOWED UP FOR THE PAST FOUR DAYS BY SOME OF THE MOST INHOSPITABLE JUNGLE IN SOUTH AMERICA.

THEY WERE FLEEING THE JONESTOWN CULT SUICIDE WHERE 4Ø5 DIED LAST SATURDAY, MANY BY TAKING A CYANIDE DRINK.

ONLY MINIMAL ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT TO SEARCH FOR THE FLEEING AMERICANS. NO EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE UNITED STATES, EVEN THOUGH IT IS ASSEMBLING PLANES AND HELICOPTERS TO FLY OUT THOSE ALREADY DEAD.

NO FOOD GROWS IN THE SEMI-DARKNESS OF THE FOREST FLOOR. ONLY THE HUGE TREES WITH TRUNKS UP TO 3 FEET THICK ARE TALL ENOUGH TO PENETRATE THE THICK COVER OF VINES AND FOLIAGE TO DRAW NUTRIENT FROM THE SUN. SMALL GAME IS NONEXISTENT.

WATER IS AVAILABLE FROM STREAMS BUT SERIOUS FEARS ABOUT THE FATE OF THE AMERICANS ARE RISING SHARPLY IN GEORGETOWN -- NOT ONLY BECAUSE THOSE IN THE JUNGLE APPARENTLY TOOK NOTHING WITH THEM IN THE WAY OF EQUIPMENT AND FOOD.

HUNTERS AND FORESTERS SAY THE GUYANESE JUNGLE HOLDS THESE OTHER THREATS TO THE UNWARY:

MOSQUITOES CARRYING MALARIA AND VIRUSES ARE ALWAYS PRESENT. AN INSECT CALLED THE KABOURA FLY BITES FLESH AND CAUSES PAINFUL SORES.

POISON BRIARS EXUDE ACTIVE JUICES THAT TOUCH OFF ALLERGIES AND INFECT SCRATCHES IN 24 HOURS. MANY VARIETIES OF POISONOUS SNAKES CRAWL ACROSS THE JUNGLE FLOOR.

VAMPIRE BATS ABOUT THE SIZE OF A MOUSE AND WITH LONG INCISOR TEETH ATTACK CATTLE AND HUMANS IN THE JUNGLES, INJECTING AN ANTICOAGULANT INTO THE BITES WITH THEIR TONGUES THAT CAN KEEP A WOUND BLEEDING FOR HOURS.

FLESH-EATING PIRANHA FISH INFEST ALL THE DEEPER STREAMS. JAGUARS ARE KNOWN TO ROAM THE FORESTS.

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JONESTOWN-REPORTER

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -- WOUNDED VICTIMS OF THE FATAL AIRPORT AMBUSH IN GUYANA DRANK RUM AND STAYED AWAKE ALL NIGHT IN A DISCO, FEARING THEY WOULD BE ATTACKED A SECOND TIME BY FANATIC MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE, AN INJURED SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER REPORTER SAID IN A COPYRIGHT ARTICLE WEDNESDAY.

REPORTER TIM REITERMAN SAID RESIDENTS OF PORT KAITUMA, GUYANA, CAME TO THE AID OF SURVIVORS OF SATURDAY'S KILLINGS, WHICH LEFT FIVE PEIPLE DEAD, INCLUDING REP. LEO RYAN, D-CALIF., AT AN AIRSTRIP NEAR THE CULT'S SETTLEMENT. TEN OTHERS WERE WOUNDED.

PORT KAITUMA IS NEAR BOTH THE AIRSTRIP AND THE TEMPLE SETTLEMENT AT JONESTOWN.

''WHEN THE OFFER OF HELP WAS MADE, IT FELT AS THOUGH WE HAD JUST SIGNED AN IMPORTANT TREATY,'' REITERMAN SAID.

''WE STILL WERE WOUNDED AND TERRIFIED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SOUTH AMERICAN JUNGLE, BUT WE HAD ALLIES.''

THE DANCE FLOOR AT SAM'S DISCO WAS DECORATED WITH BLACK WALLS, BLACK LIGHTS AND FLUORESCENT HAND-PAINTED SLOGANS AND GRAFFITI. THE SURVIVORS WERE PROTECTED BY FORMER TEMPLE MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS ARMED WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF WEAPONS -- A SINGLE SHOTGUN, A MACHETE, A LONG-BLADED KNIFE.

REITERMAN DESCRIBED HOW RYAN'S LEGAL AIDE, JACKIE SPEIER, LAY FLAT ON HER BACK, AN EIGHT-INCH SLAB OF HER RIGHT THIGH BLOWN AWAY, ONE ARM SHATTERED AND A BULLET IN HER PELVIS.

A FEW FEET AWAY, NBC TECHNICIAN STEVE SUNG WAS CRYING WITH PAIN.

WITH NO MEDICAL SUPPLIES, THEY TOOK RUM AND ASPIRIN TO EASE THE PAIN.

NO ONE SLEPT.

RESIDENTS OFFERED TO HOUSE THE INJURED, BUT WERE TERRIFIED THAT TEMPLE FOLLOWERS MIGHT RETURN TO FINISH THE JOB.

''THE GUYANESE SAID THE BRUTAL SHOOTINGS OF UNARMED PEOPLE RINSED AWAY VIRTUALLY ALL THEIR GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE TEMPLE,'' REITERMAN SAID.

GUYANESE SOLDIERS GUARDED THE SEVERELY WOUNDED IN A TENT NEAR A GROUNDED MILITARY PLANE ON THE AIRSTRIP, ''BUT WERE UNWILLING TO STAND BETWEEN THE REST OF US AND ANY ATTACKERS,'' HE SAID.

DURING THE NIGHT-LONG VIGIL AT THE DISCO, THE SURVIVORS STOOD GUARD, CHANGED BANDAGES AND LISTENED FOR THE SOUND OF EACH APPROACHING VEHICLE.

THE NEXT MORNING, GUYANESE SOLDIERS ARRIVED.

REITERMAN FILED THE STORY FROM ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE HOSPITAL IN MARYLAND WHERE SOME OF THE WOUNDED WERE AIRLIFTED AFTER THE SHOOTINGS.

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JONESTOWN, LEAD

GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (AP) -- THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT AND THE FBI PROBED DEEPER TODAY INTO THE MURDER OF REP. LEO J. RYAN, D-CALIF., AND HIS COMPANIONS THAT WAS CLIMAXED BY THE MASS SUICIDES OF 405 AMERICAN CULTISTS.

GUYANA OFFICIALS SAID THEY HAD ARRESTED THREE PRIME SUSPECTS IN THE KILLING OF RYAN AND HIS COMPANIONS. THEY WERE IDENTIFIED AS MICHAEL PROKES, 51, A FORMER STOCKTON, CALIF., TELEVISION REPORTER; TIM CARTER, 30, A FORMER U.S. MARINE FROM GARDEN CITY, IDAHO, AND LARRY LAYTON, 32, WHOSE HOMETOWN WAS NOT KNOWN.

THEY WERE EXPECTED TO BE ARRAIGNED IN COURT LATER IN THE DAY.

THE FBI ANNOUNCED IN WASHINGTON THAT IT HAD OPENED AN INVESTIGATION OF THE SLAYING OF RYAN BY MEMBERS OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE CULT AT THE JONESTOWN AIRSTRIP. THE AGENCY SAID IT WAS ACTING UNDER THE CONGRESSIONAL ASSASSINATIONS LAW, WHICH MAKES IT A FEDERAL CRIME TO KILL A CONGRESSMAN, AND SAID THE INVESTIGATION WAS BEING CONDUCTED IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN GUYANA. THE PEOPLES TEMPLE HAS ITS HEADQUARTERS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

RYAN AND HIS PARTY ARRIVED ARRIVED AT JONESTOWN FRIDAY TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED ABUSES OF MEMBERS OF THE SETTLEMENT. HE AND FOUR OTHERS WERE MURDERED BY CULTISTS WHILE TRYING TO LEAVE SATURDAY AFTERNOON. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, 405 PERSONS IN THE CAMP DIED AFTER DRINKING A FRUIT DRINK LACED WITH CYANIDE.

AMERICAN MILITARY FORCES PREPARED THE DECAYING BODIES OF THE 405 JONESTOWN DEAD TODAY FOR TRANSFER TO THE UNITED STATES. THE U.S. AIR FORCE SAID THE FIRST PLANELOADS SHOULD ARRIVE AT ITS MORTUARY IN DELAWARE ON THANKSGIVING DAY.

THE EVACUATION OF THE BODIES HAD NOT STARTED BY LATE MORNING. A U.S. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN SAID THERE WAS A DELAY IN GETTING HELICOPTERS INTO THE COUNTRY. TWO GIANT CH-53 HELICOPTERS, WHICH CAN CARRY ABOUT 35 TROOPS EACH, WERE IN GUYANA. THREE MORE, PLUS SIX SMALLER HELICOPTERS, WERE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE LATER IN THE DAY. THE HELICOPTERS ARE BEING BROUGHT DISMANTLED TO GUYANA.

THEY WILL BE USED TO FERRY THE BODIES FROM JONESTOWN, WHERE THE SUICIDES TOOK PLACE, TO AN AIRSTRIP AT MATHEWS RIDGE ABOUT 18 MILES AWAY. THERE, THE DEAD WILL BE LOADED ON AIR FORCE CARGO PLANES FOR THE TRIP TO THE UNITED STATES.

THE SEARCH CONTINUED FOR HUNDREDS OF AMERICANS BELIEVED TO HAVE FLED FROM THE MASS SUICIDE-BY-POISON WHICH THE REV. JIM JONES OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE LED SATURDAY AT JONESTOWN, HIS CULT'S JUNGLE SETTLEMENT IN NORTHWEST GUYANA.

ABOUT 40 SURVIVORS WERE REPORTED TO HAVE TURNED UP. BECAUSE OF UNCERTAINTY ABOUT THE NUMBER IN THE SETTLEMENT AT THE TIME, ESTIMATES OF THE MISSING RANGED FROM 200 TO 700.

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LANE EYEWITNESS
GEORGETOWN, GUYANA (AP) -- ''WE ARE ALL GOING TO DIE NOW,'' THE RELIGIOUS CULTIST TOLD MARK LANE. ''THEY WERE SMILING,'' LANE RECALLED.

THE NEXT DAY 300 TO 400 PERSONS WERE FOUND DEAD AT THE CAMP OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE IN GUYANA'S TROPICAL WILDERNESS, APPARENTLY AFTER TAKING HOME-BREWED POISON.

LANE AND ANOTHER AMERICAN LAWYER, CHARLES GARRY, FLED THROUGH THE JUNGLE SATURDAY AS SCREAMS FROM THE CAMP REVERBERATED IN THEIR EARS.

''I GOT OUT AS THE KILLING WAS TAKING PLACE,'' LANE TOLD THE ASSOCIATED PRESS TODAY AFTER HE ARRIVED IN THIS CAPITAL CITY, 150 MILES SOUTHEAST OF THE CAMP.

HE AND GARRY HAD GONE TO THE SETTLEMENT TO COUNSEL THE SECT'S FOUNDER, THE REV. JIM JONES, DURING AN INVESTIGATIVE VISIT THERE BY REP. LEO J. RYAN OF CALIFORNIA, WHERE THE SECT FIRST WAS BASED. LEAVING THE TWO LAWYERS IN THE CAMP, RYAN'S PARTY TRIED TO FLY SOME DISENCHANTED SECT MEMBERS OUT OF THE AREA SATURDAY, BUT CAMP RESIDENTS AMBUSHED THEM AT AN AIRSTRIP, KILLING RYAN AND FOUR OTHERS AND WOUNDING 10.

LANE SAID JONES, WHOSE FOLLOWERS REPORTEDLY HAD LONG CONSIDERED SUICIDE IF THEY FELT THE SECT WAS THREATENED, HELD A MASS MEETING SATURDAY TO DISCUSS IT.

''JONES KNEW I WOULD SPEAK OUT AGAINST THE SUICIDE OR THE KILLINGS AT THE MEETING,'' LANE SAID. HE SAID JONES ORDERED A GUARD PUT ON HIM AND GARRY IN AN AREA SOME DISTANCE FROM THE MEETING.

IT WAS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THE AMBUSH OF RYAN'S GROUP HAD ALREADY TAKEN PLACE WHEN THE MEETING WAS CALLED, OR THE CAMP RESIDENTS WERE DEBATING GOING AHEAD WITH THE AMBUSH.

''I HAD JUST PREVENTED A KILLING OF CONGRESSMAN RYAN, SO HE SENT THE MAN WHO TRIED TO KILL CONGRESSMAN RYAN TO ACT AS A GUARD ON GARRY AND MYSELF. I GOT THE POINT QUICKLY.''

LANE WAS REFERRING TO A CULTIST WHO HAD LUNGED AT RYAN WITH A KNIFE IN THE CAMP SATURDAY. LANE AND GARRY SEIZED THE YOUNG MAN, STABBING HIM IN THE PROCESS, A SURVIVOR FROM RYAN'S PARTY REPORTED LATER.

LANE SAID THAT GUARD LATER WAS REPLACED BY TWO OTHER ARMED MEN WHO TOLD HIM, ''WE ARE ALL GOING TO DIE NOW.''

''AND THEY WERE SMILING,'' LANE SAID. ''THEY WERE NOT SARCASTIC. THEY LOOKED GENUINELY HAPPY TO ME. THEY WERE VERY, VERY PEACEFUL.''

HE SAID HE TOLD THEM SOMEONE SHOULD BE SPARED TO REPORT THE MASS SUICIDE TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD, SO THEY ALLOWED HIM AND GARRY TO ESCAPE.

LANE AND GARRY WALKED FOR 24 HOURS THROUGH THE JUNGLE UNTIL THEY REACHED THE AIRSTRIP WHERE THE AMBUSH HAD TAKEN PLACE AND WERE RESCUED BY GUYANESE OFFICIALS. APPARENTLY NEITHER MAN WAS HURT.

LIVING CONDITIONS AT THE CAMP WERE TERRIBLE, LANE SAID.

''THERE WERE LARGE BUILDINGS IN WHICH THERE WERE DOUBLE BUNKS THAT WERE SEPARATED PERHAPS BY AISLES OF TWO FEET. THEY WERE JUST FILLED BY PEOPLE -- ELDERLY PEOPLE. IT LOOKED LIKE A SLAVE SHIP.''

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(URGENT"""" LEAD RYAN (R-418, CHANGING DATELINE)
GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, NOV 18, REUTER - U.S. REPRESENTATIVE LEO RYAN AND SEVERAL OTHER AMERICANS WERE SHOT DOWN BY GUYMEN TODAY AS THEY WERE ABOUT TO BOARD AN AIRCRAFT IN THE HINTERLAND OF GUYANA.
A GOVERNMENT MINISTER SAID THE GOVERNMENT HEARD THAT MR RYAN, 53, A CALIFORNIA DEMOCRAT, AND SIX OTHER PERSONS WERE DEAD BUT COULD NOT CONFIRM THE REPORTS OFFICIALLY.
(IN WASHINGTON, A STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN CONFIRMED THE SHOOTINGS BUT SAID: ""WE ARE NOT CONFIRMING HIS (RYAN'S) DEATH."")
MR RYAN, ALONG WITH A TELEVISION CREW, SEVERAL REPORTERS AND ABOUT 40 AMERICANS HAD GONE TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS AT A REMOTE AGRICULTURAL MISSION RUN BY THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE CHURCH FOUNDED BY U.S. EVANGELIST JIM JONES.
THE GOVERNMENT MINISTER SAID TROOPS AND POLICE WERE BEING RUSHED TO THE REMOTE DISTRICT IN THIS COUNTRY ON THE NORTHERN COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA.
ON TUESDAY, MR RYAN TOLD REPORTERS HE WANTED TO VISIT JONESTOWN -- NAMED AFTER BISHOP JONES -- TO FIND OUT WHETHER PEOPLE WERE BEING HELD AGAINST THEIR WILL.
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APART FROM THE HINTERLAND SHOOTING, THE MINISTER SAID THE GOVERNMENT HEARD THAT A MEMBER OF THE RELIGIOUS SECT, SHARON AMOS, AND HER THREE CHILDREN WERE FOUND DEAD AT THE CHURCH'S GEORGETOWN HEADQUARTERS. MRS AMOS, AN AMERICAN, WAS THE TEMPLE'S PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER.
(IN WASHINGTON, THE STATE DEPRTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID SEVERAL MEMBERS OF AN NBC TELEVISION CREW WERE AMONG THOSE HIT BY THE GUNFIRE. HE SAID THE ONLY EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT THE DEPARTMENT HAD OF THE SHOOTINGS WAS FROM A PILOT WHO WAS TAKING OFF FROM THE AIRFIELD AT PORT KAITUMA.
(BUT HE SAID THE AIRPORT AT PORT KAITUMA HAD NO LIGHTS FOR NIGHT LANDINGS AND U.S. EMBASSY OFFICIALS IN GEORGETOWN WOULD HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL MORNING TO REACH THE SITE.)
MR RYAN, A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE WHO HAS SERVED IN CONGRESS SINCE 1973, FLEW TO THE JUNGLE MISSION YESTERDAY WITH A DELEGATION WHICH INCLUDED REPORTERS FROM THE WASHINGTON POST, SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLEAND SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER NEWSPAPERS.
AFTER SPENDING THE NIGHT, THE AMERICAN PARTY WAS ABOUT TO BOARD A CHARTERED PLANE LATE-TODAY FOR THE RETURN TO GEORGETOWN WHEN, ACCORDING TO THE REPORTS, GUNFIRE CUT IT DOWN.
MR RYAN ARRIVED ... PICKING UP 7TH GRAF (1ST GRAF, R-422)
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MR RYAN ARRIVED IN GUYANA, LOCATED ON THE NORTHERN COAST OF SOUTH AMERICA, EARLIER THIS WEEK TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS FROM SOME OF HIS CONSTITUENTS ABOUT A CONTROVERSIAL RELIGIOUS SECT CALLED THE PEOPLE"S TEMPLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
IN GEORGETOWN, THE GUYANAN CAPITAL, HE SAID HE EXPECTED TO STAY FOR SEVERAL DAYS TO TRY TO GET A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SECT, HEADED BY A CALIFORNIAN NAMED BISHOP JIM JONES WHO CLAIMED SUPERNATURAL FAITH-HEALING POWERS.
THE COMMUNE, PREVIOUSLY BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO, PRIMARILY IS COMPRISED OF AMERICANS. IT MOVED TO GUYANA ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO, AND WAS GRANTED BY THE GOVERNMENT THERE 27,000 ACRES OF LAND FOR AN AGRICULTURAL MISSION, NOW CALLED JONESTOWN.
THE COMMUNITY HAS GROWN TO ABOUT 400 PEOPLE, MORE THAN A QUARTER OF THEM FROM THE UNITED STATES.
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ON THURSDAY, THE TEMPLE"S LEADERS REVERSED AN EARLIER DECISION AND GAVE MR RYAN PERMISSION TO VISIT ITS FACILITIES AT JONESTOWN, ABOUT AN HOUR"S PLANE RIDE FROM GEORGETOWN. IT HAD THREATENED TO CALL THE GUYANA POLICE IF NECESSARY TO KEEP THE CONGRESSMAN OUT OF ITS JUNGLE COMMUNITY.
MR RYAN"S DELEGATION TO GUYANA INCLUDED RELATIVES OF MEMBERS OF THE SECT, WHICH CLAIMS TO HAVE 20,000 MEMBERS IN CALIFORNIA, MANY OF THEM BLACK.
IN SAN FRANCISCO LAST YEAR, 18 FORMER MEMBERS OF THE SECT SIGNED STATEMENTS SAYING THEY WERE SUBJECTED TO RITUAL BEATINGS, COERCED INTO GIVING THEIR PERSONAL PROPERTY TO THE CHURCH AND FORCED TO SIGN FALSE CONFESSIONS SO THAT THE TEMPLE COULD BLACKMAIL THEM.
WHEN HE WAS BASED IN SAN FRANCISCO, MR JONES" TEMPLE WAS VISITED BY A NUMBER OF PROMINENT POLITICAL FIGURES, AND IN 1976 THE PREACHER SHARED A PLATFORM WITH PRESIDENT CARTER"S WIFE ROSALYNN DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.
MR RYAN, 53, A NATIVE OF LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, HAS SERVED IN CONGRESS SINCE 1973.
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